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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Subject continues leadership in motion picture Communist activities. He has been active in the formation of an independent organization to sponsor Colonel EVANS F. CARLSON's candidacy for U. S. Senator and arranged and participated in a meeting to plan Soviet-American film panel for UCLA conference. Subject walked picket line at Warner Bros. Studios during recent motion picture strike and was discharged from Columbia Studios as a result thereof. He has been active in the leadership of the Citizens Committee for Motion Picture Strikers and active as observer of alleged police brutality at Warner Bros. strike and signed telegram protesting this alleged brutality. Bank account reflects continued payments to alleged Communist controlled organizations.

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**DETAILS:**

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